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THE DEL MONTE MEETING.

Reports of the annual meeting of the California State Medical Society will appear in the June issue of the JOURNAL. Suffice it to say that the meeting was one of the best from every standpoint that has yet been held. Many matters of vital importance came up for decision and the results will be far-reaching. Weather, location, and the spirit of the times combined to lend special distinction to its deliberations. The advantages of holding the sessions away from a large city and its distractions was again demonstrated. A splendid group of men were elected to the offices of the Society and their character promises a continuance of the excellent régime preceding them. The new officers are as follows:

C. Van Zwalenburg, Riverside, President; John H. Graves, San Francisco, First Vice-President; Ferdinand Stabel, Redding, Second Vice-President; Saxton Temple Pope, San Francisco, Secretary; Councilors—C. G. Kenyon, San Francisco, Chairman (6th District. Term expires 1919); T. C. Edwards, Salinas (3d District. Term expires 1921); E. N. Ewer, Oakland (7th District. Term expires 1920); A. W. Hoisholt, Napa (9th District. Term expires 1920); P. T. Phillips, Santa Cruz (5th District. Term expires 1920); E. C. Moore, Los Angeles (2d District. Term expires 1919); George H. Aiken, Fresno (4th District. Term expires 1921); Jas. H. Parkinson, Sacramento (8th District. Term expires 1919); René Bine, San Francisco (At Large. Term expires 1920); O. D. Hamlin, Oakland (At Large. Term expires 1919); H. A. L. Ryfkogel, San Francisco (At Large. Term expires 1921); Geo. H. Kress, Los Angeles (At Large. Term expires 1920); J. C. Yates, San Diego (At Large. Term expires 1920); G. G. Moseley, Redlands (At Large. Term expires 1920); J. C. King, Banning (1st District. Term expires 1921).

CONTINUING NEED FOR SURGEONS IN MEDICAL RESERVE CORPS OF ARMY.

California with a medical population of 5687 has given 783 to the Army. This is 13.8 per cent., whereas our real quota should have been nearer 20 per cent. Not only is this number, then, somewhat below what it should have been, but it leaves the state rather low in the list of states in regard to this matter. California and Connecticut have each 13.8 per cent. of its medical population in the Army, and so are contestants for the twenty-ninth position. Nevada still ranks first with 154 medical men in the state and 37 in the Army, which is 24 per cent. of its medical population. Arizona is second, Montana third, and Pennsylvania fourth in the list of percentages.

The need of physicians for the M. O. R. C. is still urgent. The Surgeon-General's report for March 22d shows a total of 18,138 officers in the corps, 14,911 of whom are now on active duty. It is found on referring to previous reports that at the present time officers are being called to duty in greater number than they are being admitted to the corps, therefore, it is obvious that the corps will soon be depleted.

There will be added to the Army this year about three-quarters of a million men. These will require about 7500 surgeons. The Council of National Defense at the present time is asking California for at least 200 more surgeons, but looking this matter squarely in the face it would seem as if 400 or even 500 would be more appropriate. The California State Committee of the Council of National Defense has made a study of the doctors

State Society

THE DEL MONTE MEETING.

About three hundred members were present at the annual meeting of the Medical Society of the State of California at Del Monte. The following officers were elected:

President, Dr. C. Van Zwahlenburg, of Riverside; first vice-president, John H. Graves, of San Francisco; second vice-president, Dr. Ferdinand Stabel, of Redding; secretary, Dr. Saxton Pope.

One of the most important events of the meeting was the address by Major Jump, who is touring the United States in order to increase the enrollment of physicians in the M. O. R. C. and the U. S. Army. The quota from California during the coming year will call for nearly 400 physicians, and every man should question his own conscience to determine whether or not he should be one of this number.

The Constitution and By-Laws underwent some revision. Changes were necessitated to meet the altered conditions of the times and the new designs of the Council. The constitutional amendments were laid on the table until the next session, and the amendments to the by-laws were passed by large majority. One of the chief features of the changes in the latter was the elimination of all standing committees and the strengthening of the executive capacity of the Council and the Publicity Bureau. It is hoped by this means to establish a more effective working unit in the Society and a co-ordination of the various elements of the organization.

Another important act of the House of Delegates was the adoption of a resolution of the Council which exempts all men in active military service from Society dues and carries these men in full membership until discharged from duty.

The House of Delegates also voted in favor of a special war tax to cover the deficit of this loss of membership, and the Secretary was instructed to collect this tax of \$2.00 at the end of this present fiscal year. This is one of the legal assessments of the Society and must be made as faithfully as the usual State dues. Notice of this will be sent to each member later on.

A special feature in this State meeting was the offering of the Barbat prize and a committee was appointed by the Council to award this recognition for scientific work.

On the whole the meeting was one of vital importance in the way of organization, of very high scientific standard and adjourned in complete harmony.

NOTICE.

At the One Hundred and First Meeting of the Council of the Medical Society of the State of California, held at Hotel Del Monte, Monday evening, April 15, 1918, at 8:30 o'clock, on motion of Parkinson, seconded by Yates, it was unanimously

Resolved, That a notice appear in the next issue of the Journal, calling the attention of members who desire their special lines of practice included in the Roster, to send the desired information to the State Secretary before the 10th of May.

County Societies

ALAMEDA COUNTY.

The following program was presented at the regular monthly meeting of the Alameda County Medical Association held Monday evening, March 18, 1918:

1. The Treatment of Warts—A Series of One Hundred Cases. Dr. M. L. Emerson.

2. Differential Roentgen Interpretation of Lesions of the Digestive System. Mr. P. L. Ansell.

Both papers were very interesting and were discussed by a number, including Doctors Edith Brownsill, Kate Van Orden, F. M. Loomis, M. L. Emerson and O. D. Hamlin.

Contracts have been let by the Board of Supervisors of Alameda County for the erection of a two-story nurses' cottage at the Alameda County Hospital at a cost of \$21,000. There will be an assembly room, library, kitchenette, head nurse's suite, two single and seven double bedrooms and five sleeping porches, laundry and trunk room.

Steam heat will be supplied each room from the main plant on the infirmary ground. The building is designed to comply with all the requirements of the State Bureau for buildings of this character.

Dr. P. E. Dolan of Livermore and Dr. H. A. Makinson of Oakland have both been called to the colors. Dr. Dolan is at Camp Kearny and Dr. Makinson at Camp Fremont. Dr. Milton H. Schultz has entered the Navy and is stationed at Yerba Buena. Major Stanley F. Berry has been down from Camp Lewis shaking hands with old friends.

The Alameda County Psychopathic Association held an open meeting Friday evening, April 5th.

Subject: "Care and commitment of Insane."

Speakers—Judge Chas. E. Snook, "Some Judicial Aspects"; Dr. Glenn E. Myers, "Some Medical Aspects"; Mr. Philip Carey, "Some Legal Aspects."

LOS ANGELES COUNTY.

Meeting of Los Angeles County Medical Association, March 7, 1918.

The president, Dr. Wm. Duffield, spoke about the excessive expenses of the Society for 1917 as shown by the Bulletin. He strongly urged that every member speak to his colleagues, who are not members, to join the society and thus make up the deficit. One hundred new members would wipe out our indebtedness. He gave an instance how a young practitioner was not appointed an officer because he lacked the prestige that goes with membership in the Society.

The Society's Telephone Exchange, he declared a splendid institution, although formerly he did not think so; be sure to make use of it.

Send names of those entitled to stars on the service banner to Dr. Nannie Dunsmore. Ask your soldier colleagues for letters relating to their experiences and duties in the service abroad.

The appointed committees are expected to do the work appertaining to their respective committees. Reunions of the officers and committeemen at a dinner several times a year will be continued.

Apropos the Receiving Hospital Committee, the president mentioned Drs. Haynes and Lobingier have taken hold of that work.

Woman Doctor to go to France.

Dr. Margaret Withey Farwell of Los Angeles has left for New York for preliminary preparation with settlement workers before sailing for France as a member of the Red Cross. She will be assigned to civilian relief work among women and children refugees in France. Dr. Farwell is a graduate and member of the faculty of the University of Southern California, and also has charge of the medical department of the Parent-Teachers' clinic. She was assistant house physician at the Santa Fe hospital.

INTERNATIONAL SURGICAL SOCIETY.

It was agreed at a meeting held in Paris on November 3rd, 1917, of delegates of the International Surgical Society from Belgium, France, Great Britain, Serbia and the United States of America, that:

1. The International Surgical Society be dissolved after the publication of the Volume of Transactions of the Meeting held at New York City, April 14th, 1917. Should any money remain after the publication of the volume, such money will be divided pro rata among members. Each member of the Austro-German group will receive his share; but the money belonging to members from other nations will be retained and applied to some object of scientific reparation in Belgium.

2. A new society will be created after the war on a similar basis, to be called the "Inter-Allied Surgical Society." Surgeons of neutral countries may also be elected members.

DECREASE IN BIRTH RATE IN HUNGARY.

The following statistics were read by the Karolyist deputy, Lodovico Hollo, to the Hungarian Chamber of Deputies, at the session of January 16, 1918.

"(1) Births.—Before the war 765,000 children a year were born in Hungary. In the first year of the war, 1914, the number of births was reduced by 18,000; in 1915 only 481,000 children were born—that is, 284,000 less than in time of peace. In 1916 the number of births was 333,000—that is, a reduction of 432,000. In 1917 the births amounted to 328,000—that is, the reduction was 438,000. Therefore our losses (in Hungary alone) behind the front reach the number of 1,172,866 individuals.

"(2) Deaths.—Whereas in time of peace infant mortality, for a period of seven years, was 34 per cent., in 1915 the proportion was increased to 48 per cent., and in 1916 to 50 per cent."

"These facts," said Hollo, "prove what sacrifices Hungary is making, to the prejudice of her own people, to continue the war."

The war is going to modify those material and mechanical features of education on which we have laid far too much stress in our modern and material world. It means that while men are learning to die and women are learning to suffer, that everybody is learning to serve; that everybody is learning to make the most of things and to go without things they had before; that something of a great mysterious beyond is creeping into our lives and is making itself felt for the ennobling and strengthening of all the virtues of humanity, for it is the call for the best that is in us and brings out the best that is in us. It brings us pleasure, storm, and sacrifice; it brings suffering and it is going to remain.—"Volta Review."

New Members

Barry, W. T., Santa Barbara.
Rosson, R. W., Weed.
Hornor, D. H., Dunsmuir.
Bernard, Lyde H., Calistoga.
Wetmore, Clyde T., Richmond.
Griswold, C. H., Modesto.
Conrad, D., Santa Barbara.
Potter, Nathaniel B., Santa Barbara.
Livingston, W. R., Veptura.
Leisenring, L. M., Placerville.
Smallwood, Walter C., Richmond.
Sperry, John A., San Francisco.
Bell, W. L., Richmond.

Parrett, O. S., National City.
Hicks, J. R., Delano.
Pomeroy, F. K., Fresno.
Stahl, Fred W., Los Angeles.
Cottle, C. C., Los Angeles.
Piness, George, Los Angeles.
Boyd, Geo. Thomas, Los Angeles.
Stone, Joseph Wm., Los Angeles.
Wolferman, A. Gertrude, Los Angeles.
Hammond, Nettie E., Los Angeles.
Riddle, Julia, Los Angeles.
Snyder, C. C., Los Angeles.
Coleman, Barney E., Los Angeles.
MacCloskey, Richard C., Los Angeles.
Bell, W. L., Richmond.
Frauer, Edgar A., San Diego.
Means, Samuel W., San Francisco.
Manson, Robert M., San Leandro.
Crawford, J. C., Orange.
Adams, W. C., Portola.
Flanders, Harriet Randall, San Francisco.
Magan, Percy T., Los Angeles.
Barclay, Harry A., Culver City.
Lacey, J. Mark, Los Angeles.
Jackson, Louis H., Los Angeles.
Roth, Geo. H., Los Angeles.
Graham, Chas. M., Inglewood.
Linhart, Laurence R., Los Angeles.
Holleran, Walter M., Los Angeles.
Moffatt, Howard L., Los Angeles.
Bayley, Walter, Los Angeles.
Bonhius, Andrew, Pasadena.
Truax, L. L., Los Angeles.
Atkinson, C. E., Banning.
Fantom, C. D., Riverside.
Hare, Jessie D., Fresno.
Sciaroni, Geo. H., Fresno.
Wallace, Carl T., Eureka.
Whittington, Wm. L., Eldridge.
Flora, G. A., Anderson.
Robinson, C. A., Ione.
Cochran, J. Sterling, Stockton.
Pearson, Chas. E., Turlock.

Resigned

Hare, C. B., San Jose.

Transferred

Wintermute, C. E., Saratoga, to Tulare County.

Deaths

Milliken, A., of Placerville, Cal., died Jan. 28, 1918, of bronchial pneumonia, age 84.

McAllister, W. F., died March 26, 1918; member of the George H. Thomas, Post No. 2, G. A. R.; native of Philadelphia; buried in National Cemetery, Presidio.

Krotoszyner, Martin, of San Francisco, was shot and killed by an insane patient April 20, 1918, in his offices. He was a leading specialist in genitourinary diseases. Graduate from the University of Leipzig, Germany, 1887.

White, George Amos, of Sacramento, Cal., died March 3, 1918. He was a member of the State Society. Graduate of the Jefferson Medical College. Founder of the White Hospital in Sacramento.

Johnson, Walter S., 350 Post Street, San Francisco. Long Island Coll., New York, 1899. Licensed in California, 1904. Died in Letterman General Hospital, Presidio, San Francisco, April 26, 1918.